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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Qingsheng Zhu et al. Examiner:
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING CHANGES IN HEART
FAILURE STATUS

PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Missing Parts mailed December 19, 2001, said period of response being extended from February 19, 2002 to March 19, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.
Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 15 day of March, 2002.

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